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LB 460, 584A, 1003 LR 304

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: The house is under call. Will all members please return to the chamber and record their presence? The house is under call. Senator Cunningham, Senator Maxwell, Senator Aguilar, the house is under call. You've heard the closing. The question before the body is the adoption of the Chambers amendment. Senator Chambers has requested a roll call vote. Members, please hold your conversations to a minimum. Mr. Clerk, please call the roll.

CLERK: (Roll call vote taken, Legislative Journal page 862.) 9 ayes, 26 nays, Mr. President.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: The amendment is not successful. I raise the call. (Visitors introduced.) Mr. Clerk, item on the desk?

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Tyson, an amendment to LB 460. Have a new resolution, LR 304 by Senator Hartnett, extending the Legislature's congratulations to the Bellevue East Chieftains Girls Basketball team. New A bill, LB 584A by Senator Smith. (Read title for the first time.) And I have the report of registered lobbyists for this week, Mr. President. (Legislative Journal pages 863-865.)

Mr. President, a priority motion. Senator Chambers would move to reconsider the vote just taken.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Chambers, you're recognized to open on your motion.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I was encouraged by that vote, and I will tell you why. There are more people looking at this fee issue than I thought would be considering it. It is not as simple as people want to make it. It's not one of those inconsequential matters. While we're going to be talking during the budget proceedings about cutting here and cutting there, raising revenue here and raising revenue there, I'm going to listen very carefully to what is said and I'm going to watch how people vote on those things and compare it to how they're voting on raising these fees for Game and Parks. They are two ways to look at parks. Either they can be essential to the public health of the populace or they could be